



Neighborhood in Focus:

Gravois Park



Hello Gravois Park Neighborhood Resident:

As part of PIER (Prevention, Intervention, Enforcement, and Re-Entry), the City's Comprehensive Crime Plan, we are focusing efforts on 15 neighborhoods – Gravois Park Neighborhood– is one of them. The following pages contain graphics focusing on health data to help move conversations away from emotion and ground them in facts. This “Neighborhood In Focus” also highlights health needs identified in the Gravois Park Neighborhood and available resources to help meet those needs.

Crime is influenced by many factors in the community. The Center for Disease Control has identified some aspects of crime -- such as violence -- as a public health concern. This calls for a public health response.

Gravois Park Neighborhood has a lot of positive attributes that have formed its history and will help us to provide the basis for an even better future. The City of St. Louis Department of Health (DOH) hopes will be able to use this “Neighborhood In Focus” guide for your neighborhood improvement discussions.

Let us know what you think.

Sincerely,



Melba R. Moore, MS, CPHA
Acting Director / Commissioner of Health

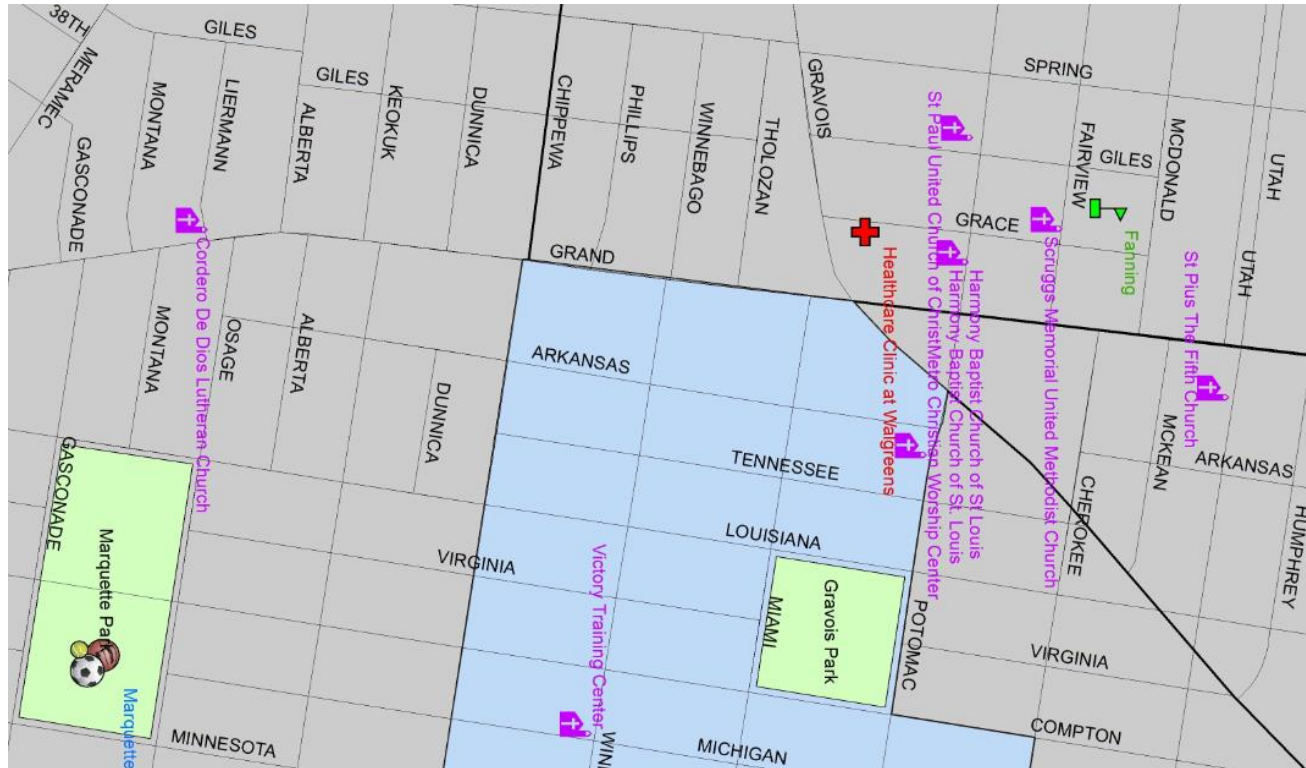


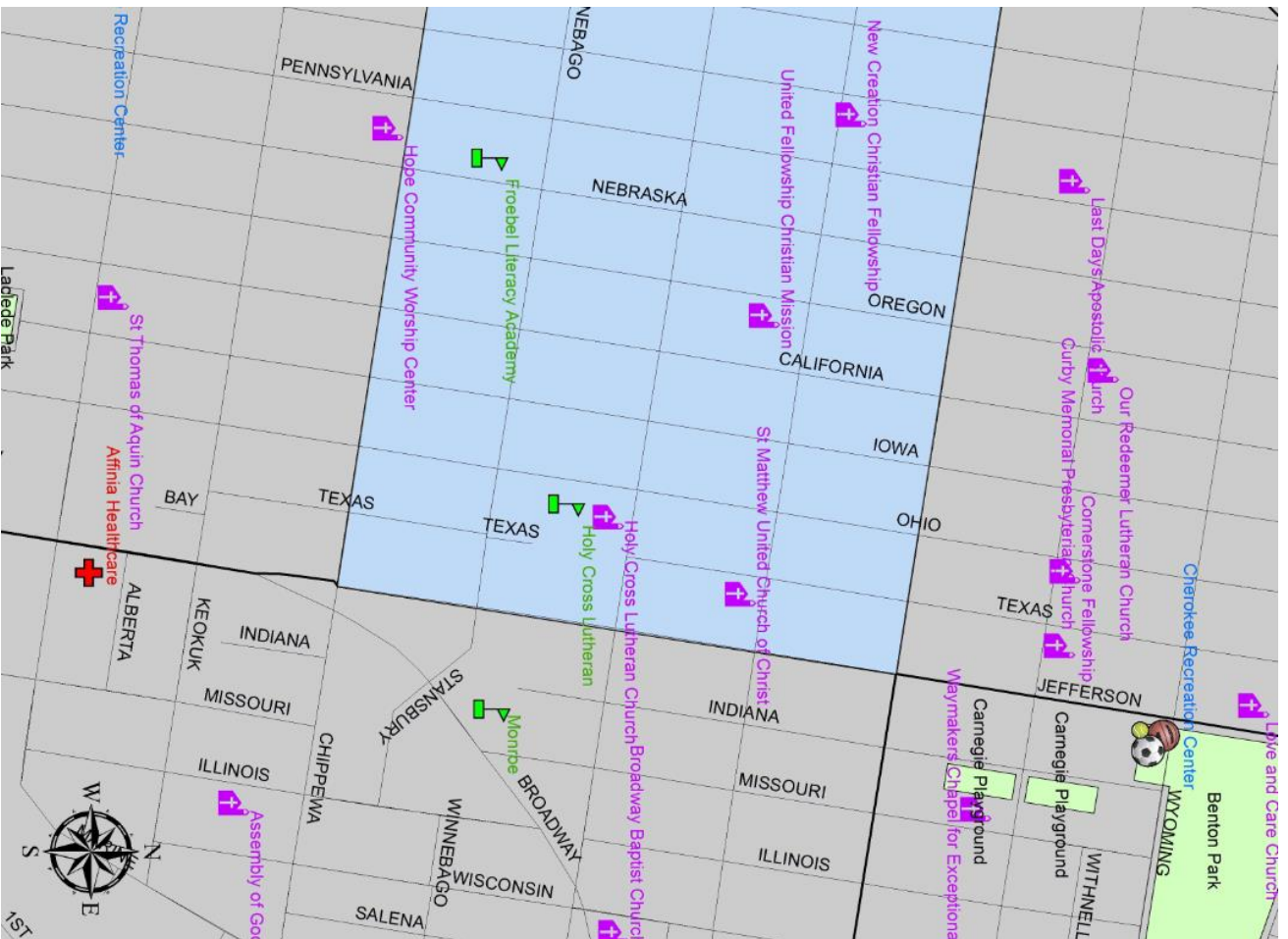
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Disclaimer: Information in this guide is meant to inform the public about health indicators in the community. Selection of data is limited to indicators available for abstraction by neighborhood level or zip code level. Neighborhood rankings are based on rates of respective indicator. Data sources include Centers for Disease Control (CDC), Census (2010), Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (MDHSS), Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), Missouri Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), CityWorks, and Understanding Our Needs (UON) 2016.

Neighborhood Map: Gravois Park





A PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM

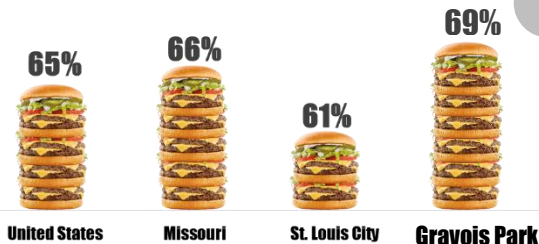
Access to nutritious food is a challenge: 55% of the City of St. Louis is considered a food desert.

About 1 in 5 Americans meet national physical activity guidelines.

Adult Americans spend a significant amount of their day at work, and many struggle to be physically active.

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Overweight & Obesity Prevalence



Overweight & Obesity

IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS

69% of Gravois Park residents are overweight or obese

Compared with 79 City of St. Louis neighborhoods, Gravois Park ranked 28th highest for overweight & obesity rates.

A PUBLIC HEALTH SOLUTION

Public health improves food safety and food choices. For tips on making better choices: check out Choose MyPlate.



Public health creates opportunities to be physically active. Check out Let's Move!



Create or enhance physical activity environments to be safe and pedestrian friendly. Check out the Sustainable Neighborhood toolkit.



Source: BRFSS, DMV (2014)

What the City of St. Louis Department of Health Can Do

Let's Move! is a comprehensive initiative, launched by the First Lady, dedicated to solving the problem of obesity within a generation, so that children born today will grow up healthier and able to pursue their dreams.

Jump N2 Shape is a regional health movement led by the DOH to promote weight loss and increase fitness among area residents.

Nutrition Services is a group of dietitians that provide current and reliable nutrition information.

What You Can Do



**DRINK LESS
SODA, MORE
WATER**



**CHOOSE
HEALTHY
CHOICES**



**INCREASE
ACTIVE
PLAY**

List of Resources

City of Saint Louis, Department of Health, Health Promotion Education & Marketing Division: Health Institute STL

1520 Market Street, Room 4045
St. Louis, MO 63103
Phone: (314) 657-1480

Jump N2 Shape: 314-657-1480

Email: info@jumpn2shape.com
www.facebook.com/JUMPN2Shape

Let's Move!
<http://www.letsmove.gov>

Choose MyPlate:
<http://www.choosemyplate.gov/>

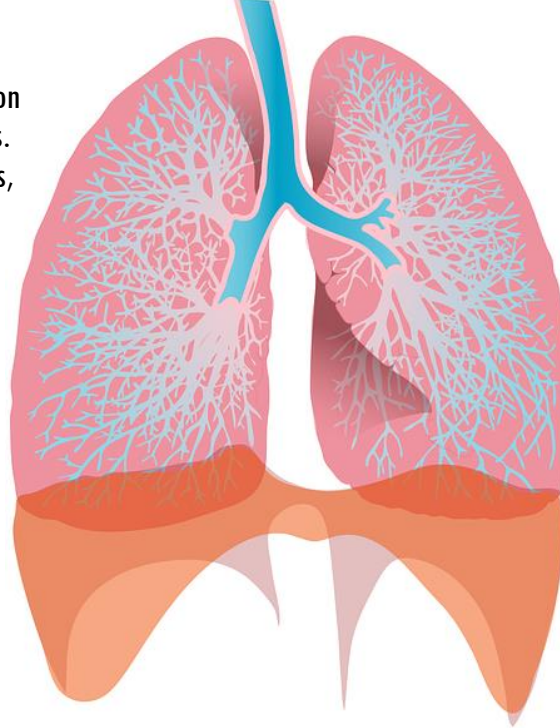
Sustainable Neighborhood Toolkit:
<http://sustainableneighborhood.net>

More information on other great programs can be found online:
<https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/health/health-promotions/index.cfm>

THE IMPACT OF

Asthma

IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS



Asthma is a disease that affects your lungs. It is one of the most common long-term diseases for people of all ages. Asthma causes wheezing, breathlessness, chest tightness, and coughing at night or early in the morning.

Asthma Triggers



Environmental
Smoking
Animal dander
Dust & mold
Chemicals
Smoke
Pests and insects



Seasonal
Temperature changes
Pollen
Allergens



Physical stress
Strenuous activity
Illness

1.2%

of adults in zip code 63118 visited the ER for asthma in 2013.

3.5%

of children (under 18) in zip code 63118 visited the ER for asthma in 2013.

In 2013, 2.1% of residents in zip code 63118 visited the ER for asthma.

In 2013, the zip code 63118 ranked 4th highest in asthma rates among 18 St. Louis City zip codes.



Did you know? 1 in 15 Americans suffers from asthma. Know your triggers!

What the City of St. Louis Department of Health Can Do

Asthma Friendly St. Louis helps kids manage their asthma.

Free services provided:

- Asthma education
- Resource Guide
- Home Assessment Workbook
- Home asthma trigger reduction assistance
- Bedding encasements
- Cleaning kits
- HEPA vacuum loan referrals
- Air filters
- Referral for asthma equipment

What You Can Do

Get an Asthma Home Assessment to identify triggers.

Visit a doctor regularly and frequently to discuss asthma symptoms and treatment.

Have a plan in place to monitor asthma triggers.

List of Resources

City of St. Louis
Department of Health
Asthma Friendly St. Louis
1520 Market St.
Room 4051
St. Louis, MO 63103
Phone: 314-657-1423
Fax: 314-612-5005

Visit us online:
asthmafriendlystlouis.org

THE PROBLEM



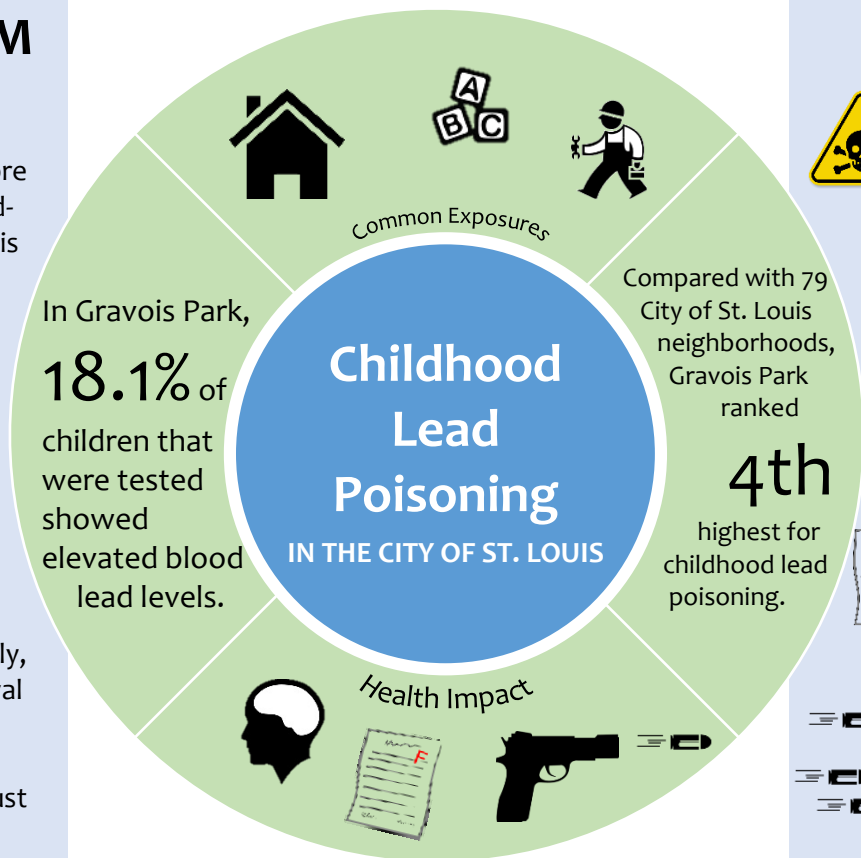
Many St. Louis homes built before 1978 contain lead-based paint that is deteriorating.



Small amounts of lead dust or chipped paint can be enough to cause lead poisoning.



If done incorrectly, lead paint removal can expose the lead and cause contaminated dust to be airborne.



THE IMPACT



Lead can be ingested, inhaled, or absorbed through the skin, causing lead poisoning.



Lead poisoning causes damage to the brain, causing learning disorders, and hearing problems.



Lead-exposed children may perform poorly in schools and tend to drop out.



A growing body of evidence in the social and medical sciences traces high crime rates to high rates of lead exposure.

What the City of St. Louis Department of Health Can Do

We offer free blood lead level testing for your child.

We provide education on nutrition and cleaning techniques that can reduce lead exposure.

We offer free water testing for your home's plumbing.

What You Can Do



Get tested.

Talk with your child's doctor about a simple blood lead test.



Check your home.

Talk with us about testing paint and dust in your home for lead.



Remove the threat.

Discard any items in the house that may contain lead.



Renovate safely.

Use contractors certified by the EPA to prevent hazardous lead dust.

List of Resources

Request a home inspection or water test by calling CSB: 314-622-4800

City of St. Louis
Department of Health
Maternal Child and Adolescent Health

1520 Market St.
Room 4051
St. Louis, MO 63103
Phone: 314-657-1456
Hours: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Check out the website:
www.leadstestlouis.com



PUBLIC HEALTH IMPACT

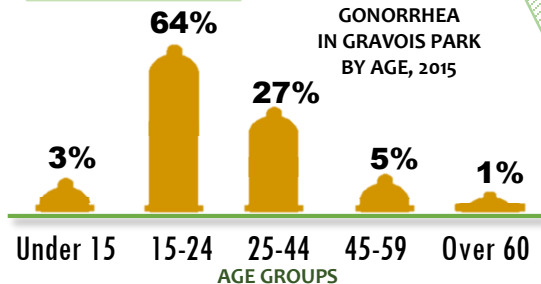
Chlamydia and Gonorrhea are the most commonly reported sexually transmitted Infections in the United States, Missouri and City of St. Louis.

Most people with STIs don't have symptoms.

**Know your STATUS.
Get checked!**

WHO IS AT RISK?

CHLAMYDIA AND GONORRHEA IN GRAVOIS PARK BY AGE, 2015



CHLAMYDIA & GONORRHEA

STIs

IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS

Did you
KNOW?



In Gravois Park, 63% of residents testing positive for chlamydia were women.

84%

84% of residents in Gravois Park who tested positive for STIs were African American.



Young adults are at higher risk for STIs

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Compared with 79 City of St. Louis neighborhoods, Gravois Park ranked:

- 11th highest for chlamydia rates
- 13th highest for gonorrhea rates

**Need a condom?
Need it NOW?
Find FREE condoms here!**

www.stlcondoms.com

What the City of St. Louis Department of Health Communicable Disease Bureau Can Do For You

We provide testing and referral services.

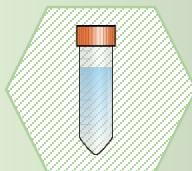
We do outreach using mobile testing methods.

We come to your area schools and youth programs and educate the community.

We use data to target our interventions.

We have on-going partnerships working to implement a comprehensive prevention plan.

What You Can Do



Get tested!



Use condoms properly and consistently.



Limit or eliminate drug and alcohol use before and during sex.



Reduce the number of sexual partners.

List of Resources

City of St. Louis Department of Health
Communicable Disease
1520 Market St.
Room 4027
St. Louis, MO 63103
Phone: 1-888-291-2437

Disease Intervention
Services: 314-612-5188

For HIV linkage to care:
1-844-546-5785

Education & Community
Planning: 314-612-5188

Medical Records:
314-657-1447

For TB info: 314-612-1400

HIV & Hepatitis Surveillance:
314-657-1501

St. Louis Regional HIV Health
Services Planning Council
<http://stlplanningcouncil.com>



ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH COMPLAINTS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

40.5% of

complaints in
Gravois Park were
for trash, tires, and
sanitation concerns.



37% of

complaints in
Gravois Park were
animal related.



18% of

complaints in
Gravois Park were
about mosquitoes
and rats control.



4.5% of

complaints in
Gravois Park were
for restaurant and
food-related issues.



ELEMENTS THAT AFFECT OUR HEALTH



sanitation of our
surroundings



welfare of our
animal
companions



food that we
eat



air that we
breathe



presence of
disease-carrying
vectors

Compared with 79 City of St. Louis neighborhoods, Gravois Park ranked 2nd highest for environmental health complaints.



What the City of St. Louis Department of Health Bureau of Environmental Health Services Does for You



Community Sanitation strives to ensure a safe and sanitary environment



Animal Care & Control promotes the health and safety of residents and companion animals



Food & Beverage Control works to ensure a safe food supply



Air Pollution Control reviews asbestos abatement and demolition permits



Vector Control helps to decrease the number of mosquitoes and rats

■ What You Can Do

Call us about your concerns



Send complaints to CSB



Be involved in your neighborhood

We Care!

List of Resources

Citizens' Service Bureau (CSB)

Phone: 314-622-4800

Submit complaints online:

<https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/public-safety/neighborhood-stabilization-office/citizens-service-bureau/csb-request-submit.cfm>

Tweet your complaint [@stlcsb](https://twitter.com/stlcsb)

City of St. Louis Dept. of Health
Bureau of Environmental Health
Services

520 Market St, Room 4051

St. Louis, MO 63103

Phone: 314-657-1539

Fax: 314-612-5367

THE PROBLEM

The St. Louis metropolitan area consistently has rates of violence far higher than most other places in the United States – ranking 9th in the nation for number of youth murdered with guns in 2012.

GRAVOIS PARK



104 in 1000 residents experienced burglary, larceny, or vehicle theft.



35 in 1000 residents were victims of a violent crime.



9 in 1000 crimes reported involved drugs.

The health impact of CRIME IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS

Compared with other St. Louis neighborhoods, Gravois Park ranked:

- 7th highest for property crime rates
- 13th highest for violent crime rates
- 17th highest for drug-related crime rates



HEALTH IMPACT

Violence is a serious public health problem. It affects people in all stages of life. Those who survive violence suffer physical, mental, and or emotional health problems throughout the rest of their lives.

VIOLENCE

- Violence is the leading cause of injury, disability, and premature death.
- Youth violence is the 3rd leading cause of death for young people (15-24 years).
- It also affects the health of communities.



Decreases property values



Disrupts social services



Increases healthcare costs

What the City of St. Louis Can Do For You

The St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department provides:

- Free home security surveys
- Classes for businesses to teach employees how to prevent robbery and how to respond should a break-in occur
- Free Fraud Prevention seminars

Citizen Service Bureau handles many nuisance issues:

- accumulation of trash, weeds
- street maintenance
- traffic control signals and signs
- street lights
- requests for building and health inspections
- stray or vicious dogs

We can provide you and your neighborhood with tools to create a Neighborhood Ownership Plan.

What You Can Do



Check the security of your home and vehicle regularly.



TRUST YOUR INTUITION.
Be aware of your personal surroundings.



Join a Neighborhood Watch Program in your area.



Create or join a Neighborhood Ownership Plan to reduce crime (more info at 314-622-4941)



Check out http://www.slmpd.org/crime_prevention.shtml for more tips.

List of Resources

Emergency: 9-1-1

Non-Emergency
314-231-1212

Central Patrol Division
919 N. Jefferson Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63106
314-444-2500

Crime Stoppers
1-866-371-TIPS

Citizen Service Bureau
314-622-4800

For Home Security Surveys
or Robbery Prevention
Training Contact:
CrimePrevention@slmpd.org

Alderpersion



Cara Spencer
Ward 20 Alderwoman
Phone: 314-622-3287
Fax: 314-622-4273

Neighborhood Improvement Specialist (NIS)

Barb Potts
NIS for Ward 20
Phone: 314-657-1370
Cell Phone: 314-397-1091
Fax: 314-613-3120

Citizens' Service Bureau

Address: 1520 Market St
Room 4087
Phone: 314-622-4800
Fax: 314-622-4310
Submit complaints online:
<https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/public-safety/neighborhood-stabilization-office/citizens-service-bureau/csb-request-submit.cfm>
Tweet complaints: [@stlcsb](#)

St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department (SLMPD)

Central Patrol Division
Address: 919 N. Jefferson Ave.
St. Louis, Mo 63106
Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: 314-231-1212
3rd District Phone: 314-444-2500

City of St. Louis Department of Health



Address: 1520 Market St,
Room 4051
St. Louis, MO 63103

Main Phone: 314-612-5100

Main Fax: 314-612-5105

Hours: Mon-Fri, 8 AM – 5 PM

- Health Promotion, Education, & Marketing: 314-657-1480
- Maternal Child and Adolescent Health: 314-657-1456
- Environmental Health: 314-657-1539
- Communicable Disease: 314-657-1501



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City of St. Louis City Agencies

Building Division	314-622-3332
Citizen Service Bureau	314-622-4800
City Emergency Management Agency	314-444-5466
Civil Rights Enforcement Agency	314-622-3301
Collector of Revenue	314-622-3291
Human Services	314-612-5900
St. Louis Area Agency on Aging (SLAAA)	314-612-5918
Veterans Affairs	314-657-1656
Office of Disabled	314-622-3686

City of St. Louis City Agencies

Operation Brightside	314-772-4646
Parks, Recreation & Forestry	314-289-5300
Personnel	314-622-4308
Recorder of Deeds	314-622-3260
Vital Records Registrar	314-622-4610
Marriage License	314-622-3257/4527
Refuse Division	314-647-3111
St. Louis Agency on Training & Employment (SLATE)	314-657-3500
Street Department	314-647-3111
Water Division	314-633-9000

Community Resources in Zip Code 63118

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<http://www.211.org/>

Job Resources

STL Workforce Centers	Address	Phone Number	Zip Code
The Met Center	6347 Plymouth	314-748-0713	63133
Cherokee & Ohio	2715 Cherokee	314-778-4220	63118
Prince Hall	4411 N. Newstead	314-875-9332	63115

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Housing/ Utility Resources for 63118

Facility Name	Address	Phone Number	Zip Code
Franciscan Connection	2903 Cherokee St	314-773-8485	63118
Salvation Army - Temple Corps Community Center Emergency Social Services	2740 Arsenal St	314-771-3460	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St. Agatha	3239 S 9th St	314-772-4491	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St. Anthony of Padua St. Louis	3140 Meramec St	314-289-6101 X1133	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St. Francis De Sales	2653 Ohio Ave	314-289-6101 X1147	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St. Wenceslaus	3014 Oregon	314-289-6101 X1185	63118
Peter and Paul Community Services, INC	2612 Wyoming St	314-588-7111	63118
St. Andrews Resources for Seniors System Tower Grove Manor	2710 S Grand Blvd	314-773-2800	63118
EnergyCare	2758 Wyoming St	314-773-5900	63118
Cardinal Ritter Senior Services - St. Agnes Apartments	2840 Wisconsin Ave	314-664-1255	63118

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Food Resources for 63118

Facility Name	Address	Phone Number	Zip Code
Guardian Angel Settlement Association Social Services Site	2700 Cherokee St	314-773-9027	63118
Joint Neighborhood Ministry	2911 McNair Ave	314-771-3987	63118
Salvation Army - Temple Corps Community Center Emergency Social Services	2740 Arsenal St	314-771-3460	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St. Agatha	3239 S 9th St	314-772-4491	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St. Anthony of Padua St. Louis	3140 Meramec St	314-289-6101 x1133	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St Francis De Sales	2653 Ohio Ave	314-289-6101 x1147	63118
Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Pius V	3310 S Grand	314-772-1525	63118
Society of St. Vincent De Paul - St. Wenceslaus	3014 Oregon	314-289-6101 x1185	63118
Wings of Love and Care Youth Center	3137 S Jefferson	314-487-1400	63118
Affinia Healthcare - South Broadway Location	3930 S. Broadway	314-814-8700	63118

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Medical Facilities & Clinic Resources for 63118

Facility Name	Address	Phone Number	Zip Code
Affinia Healthcare - South Broadway Location	3930 S Broadway	314-814-8700	63118
Institute for Family Medicine - Vietnamese Clinic	3001 Meramec	314-631-2470	63118
St. Francis Community Services Southside Center	4172 Delor St	314-773-6100	63118
Planned Parenthood of the St. Louis Region – S. Grand	3401 S Grand Blvd	314-865-1850	63118
Alexian Brothers Community Services PACE Program	3900 S Grand Blvd	314-771-5800	63118
Five Star Senior Center SLAAA	2832 Arsenal	314-664-1008	63118

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Childcare Resources for 63118

Facility Name	Address	Phone Number	Zip Code
A and B Academy	2705 Potomac St	314-773-8277	63118
A Mothers Luv LLC	2742 Meramec	314-351-9820	63118
A-Z Child Development Center	2820 Chippewa St		63118
Beautiful World Childcare LLC	4020 California Ave	314-359-5616	63118
Christian Faith House Childcare	3421 Indiana Ave	314-664-6522	63118
Constantly Growing Home Daycare	3344 Minnesota Ave	314-772-5635	63118
Curry Gilford, Denise	3525 Arsenal St	314-577-5911	63118
Douglas, Tracy	2915 Miami	314-448-2862	63118
Elam, Alesia	4028 Oregon Ave	314-353-9106	63118
First Priority Development Center, LLC	3315 Meramec St	314-771-1140	63118
Kiddiversity Child Care and Developmental Center	3401 Chippewa	314-772-5036	63118
Kids First INC	3632 S Grand	314-577-6800	63118
Kids Kompany Child Care services INC	2727 S Compton Ave	314-776-5437	63118
Magical Moments Child Learning Center INC	3610 S Broadway Ave	314-762-0010	63118

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Childcare Resources for 63118

Facility Name	Address	Phone Number	Zip Code
Mommy Ottie's Day Care LLC	2604 S Compton Ave	314-324-9175	63118
Ms. Wendy's Learn N Play	3619 Michigan Ave	314-773-6413	63118
Neighborhood Houses as Froebel Literacy Academy	3709 Nebraska Ave	314-771-3533	63118
Neighborhood Houses at Meramac Elementary	2745 Meramec St	314-353-7145	63118
Peace of Mind Child Development Center LLC	2651 Iowa	314-664-4445	63118
Provident INC	3023 Oregon Ave	314-369-5338	63118
Sacred Hearts Day Care	2752 Miami	314-771-7544	63118
St. Louis Public Schools - Roosevelt High School	3230 Hartford	314-345-6920	63118
Teacher's Loving Children Childcare Development Center, INC	3400 Chippewa St	314-865-0895	63118
Urban Future at Fanning Middle School	3417 Grace Ave	314-772-7145	63118
Youth in Need	3013 Meramec	314-353-6906	63118

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